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### <u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 14, 2006 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: